



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of:

Applicant : Andrianov *et al.*  
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MICROSPHERES  
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**PETITION FOR A FIVE-MONTH**  
**EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the non-statutory period of time for filing the *Appeal Brief* due in the above-identified U.S. Patent Application be hereby extended for five months, up to and including February 3, 2007, and that the herewith-included *Response to Final Rejection* (responding to the rejection of the claims, as manifested by Office Action mailed January 3, 2006) and the herewith-included *Request for Continued Examination* (RCE) be accepted in its stead. Applicants enclose herewith a check in the amount of \$1080 to cover the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5).

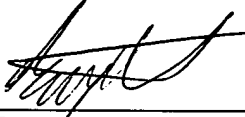
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